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SUBJECT: TUNISIAN RECOGNIZES MPLA GOVERNMENT OF ANGOLA

1. ON FEBRUARY 14, GOT ANNOUNCED THAT IT HAD RECOGNIZED THE PEOPLES REPUBLIC OF ANGOLA. MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS SPOKESMAN SAID DECISION BASED ON THAT GOVERNMENT'S NEAR TOTAL CONTROL OF ANGOLAN TERRITORY. HE SAID GOT HAD NEVER FAVORED ONE ANGOLAN INDEPENDENCE MOVEMENT OVER ANOTHER BUT HAD ONLY SOUGHT THE END OF PORTUGUESE COLONIALISM IN THE TERRITORY. HE EXPRESSED HOPE THAT LEADERS OF NEW REPUBLIC WILL CREATE CLIMATE OF NATIONAL RECONCILIATION.

2. COMMENT:

GOT'S RECOGNITION OF MPLA GOVERNMENT IN ANGOLA WAS PROBABLY PRECIPITATED BY OAU DECISION TO ACCEPT THE MPLA AS WELL AS BY ANNOUNCEMENT FEB 13 OF MOROCCAN GOVT'S RECOGNITION.

AS RECENTLY AS LAST WEEK GOT FOREIGN MINISTER HABIB CHATTIHAD PREDICTED THAT TUNISIAN RECOGNITION WOULD TAKE TWO TO THREE MONTHS.

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